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Killeen Police are investigating a vehicle crashing into an apartment building in the 2700 block of Lake Road, during the early morning hours on Monday, April 08, 2013.

The Killeen Police Department responded to a 911 call in the 2000 block of Coach Drive at 3:05am, in reference to a female breaking the windows at a residence. Upon the officer's arrival, the female ran to a white Chevy Malibu and began fleeing south on Coach Drive. When the officers attempted to stop her, she continued to flee at a high rate of speed. Officers pursued her as she continued onto Shoemaker Drive, where she turned off her headlights. She failed to stop at the intersection of Lake Road and Shoemaker Drive, running the vehicle into the apartment building located at 2702 Lake Road. The front end of the car ignited into flames causing apartment B to catch fire. The female was pinned in the vehicle but officers were able to remove her before the fire reached the cab. She was transported to the Scott and White Memorial Hospital with a broken ankle.

The occupants in apartment B were not injured from the crash, and all other occupants in the building were removed safely and without injury. The sixteen residents were displaced and the American Red Cross is assisting them at this time. The Killeen Fire Department distinguished the fire in approximately fifteen minutes.

The name of the female has been withheld pending formal charges returned from the Bell County District's Attorney's Office.

This case continues to be investigated and information will be released as it becomes available.

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